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WHITE PLAINS PASSES VALET PARKING ORDINANCE

WHITE PLAINS, NY – February 4, 2016. The White Plains Common Council acted at its Monday meeting to pass a comprehensive valet parking ordinance for the City. “There has been an increasing interest and desire by a number of downtown businesses to provide valet parking services to their patrons,” said Mayor Tom Roach. I have advocated for valet legislation since I was first elected to the Common Council, and I am pleased to now see it come to fruition.”

Mayor Roach continued, “We know that many businesses view this service as a critical component to their success. However, we also know that if it is not done properly it can easily become a negative. This new ordinance addresses valet operations in a comprehensive way and ensures that such operations will be consistently structured and organized.”

In particular, the ordinance includes provisions to ensure that:

- The use of public streets for valet parking services does not impede travel, interfere with the rights of others, or cause a public nuisance;
- Valet operators are properly insured; and
- On-street valet operators are obligated to provide the service to the general public, regardless of destination.

Under the new ordinance, the City Parking Department is authorized to issue valet operating permits after determining that the applicant has complied with the insurance, safety, and parking requirements enumerated in the ordinance. A copy of the ordinance has been posted on the City's website, www.cityofwhiteplains.com, under the Parking Department.

One of the driving factors in this new law are the proposed improvements to the White Plains City Center submitted by the current owner of the property. That proposal includes a request to modify the Mamaroneck Avenue side of the building to allow for the operation of an on-street valet parking service.